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ELEMENT DURING THE  
MANUFACTURE OF A DISK  
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This is a request for a Certificate of Corrections for Applicants' mistake under 37 CFR 1.323. Attached in duplicate is form PTO 1050. The error in the patent is a typographical error in Claim 34, at col. 9, line 30. A check in the amount of \$100 is enclosed for Applicants' typographical error.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

At col. 9, line 30, please delete "slipping" and replace with --shipping-- therein.

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